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WELCOME

We are happy to welcome all of you to Edinburg College for the twenty-third annual session.

If you are interested in doing a good job of work in college, we know you can find the proper environment here. You should have enrolled in college because of your desire to prepare yourself to do better the things you are going to do anyway. A part of doing things better consists of broadening your mental and cultural horizons; another part is attained by learning to live and to work with your fellow men. You accomplish some of this by your academic work, the remainder is gained through your daily experiences and contacts—with the Faculty, with your colleagues, and in your extra-curricular activities.

This booklet is an attempt to give you a brief, though admittedly incomplete, introduction to some of the things you will **want** and **need** to know. The regular College Catalog has some of the same material that is reproduced in these pages but it will be worthwhile for you to have two "exposures" to it.

Those of us who have been here before reiterate our greeting and welcome. If we can help you, don't hesitate to call on us. Your enthusiasm, we know, will make this year of 1949-1950 at Edinburg College one of the best.

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CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR

Regular registration begins September 5 and lasts through September 9 for all students.

Orientation tests for all freshman students, and for others who have not previously taken the tests, are held on September 10. Everyone should report to the Auditorium, promptly, at 8:15 a. m. The tests do not have anything to do with your future grades but they do help your advisors to help you. Your comparative standing will be indicated on your permanent record and it constitutes an important part of any transcript of credits that you may later need. Students who miss the tests on September 10 will be expected to take them on the afternoon of September 24.

Classes Begin on Monday, September 12. Be certain that you take your **admission card** to class when you first report. Your instructor must have it before he can permit you to enter. If you do not present it to him, you get an unexcused absence for the first class meeting—a very poor way to start your college career. If you lose the card, it will cost you twenty-five cents to get a duplicate copy from the Registrar.

Mid-semester reports are due in the office of the Registrar on November 7. This means that you will, ordinarily, have tests during the preceding week. These reports are grades in each of your courses and represent the instructor's estimate of your standing at the time. You should not be too complacent if the grades are good; much can happen before the end of the term. On the other hand, if your grades are poor, remember that you still have an opportunity to bring them up before the end of the semester.

Thanksgiving Recess begins with the close of the school day on Wednesday, November 23 and lasts through Sunday, November 28.

Christmas Recess begins with the close of the school day on Tuesday, December 20 and lasts through Sunday, January 1.

First Semester Final Examinations fill the period of Monday, January 23 through Saturday, January 28. Each

examination covers a period of two hours and you are responsible for any of the work covered during the first semester. A regular examination schedule is published or put on the Bulletin Board the week before examinations are given.

Second Semester Registration is scheduled for Saturday, January 28, for those who have not already completed registration. Students enrolled the first semester usually complete second semester registration in the week preceding final examinations.

Second Semester Classes Begin on Monday, January 30, and follow the regular schedule.

Second Semester Mid-Semester Reports are due Saturday, March 25.

Easter Recess begins with the close of the school day on Thursday, April 6, and lasts through Monday, April 10.

Second Semester Final Examinations are held in the six day period from May 22 through 27.

Twenty-third Annual Commencement is scheduled for the evening of Monday, May 29.

COLLEGE HISTORY

You may not think much of formal courses in history (Henry Ford didn't) but each of us likes to know something about what happened before he arrived on the scene. Doubtless, each of us could have arranged some things better than his predecessors arranged them. Within limits you are welcome to try on those things you think you can improve.

Edinburg Junior College was born in 1927, by virtue of a special act of the Legislature, and it began with a sizeable student body of about 190. Since then the enrollment has moved steadily upward, except for a year or two during the war when it seemed we were turning into a girls' school. Last year well over 500 people were taking full-time, regular college courses, in addition to thriving classes in vocational and basic work and to evening school classes. Around 1175 different people were students in some division of the College. Feeling that we were not "junior" to anyone, the word Junior was dropped from the title this year and we be-

came what we were originally named, Edinburg College.

Because of the rapid growth of the College, the Board of Trustees separated the Edinburg College from Edinburg Consolidated Independent School District in the summer of 1948. From the proceeds of a bond election, the College District purchased from the School District the half block of land on which the Union Building and the tennis courts are located. On the main campus we own the buildings and ground on which the Administration Building stands as far north as the Science Building. In addition, the College has a thirty-year lease on the Science Building. It is obvious that we need additional facilities besides these we have purchased or leased. We have made a working agreement with the Edinburg School District to permit it the use of the auditorium and the cafeteria and the Science Building for certain of its groups, with specified limitations. The School District on its part has agreed to let us use a large part of the Engineering Building for vocational shop work along with limited use of other portions of the plant, such as the gymnasium and the football field. Our relations have always been most cordial and the agreement that has been worked out will permit us to continue this advantageous, cooperative plan to the mutual interest of the College and of the School District.

It should also be noted that the College District retained enough money from the bond issue to enable us to construct an additional classroom building. Plans for this building have not yet been drawn, and it will be at least another year before work can begin. There is every reason to expect that we shall have adequate facilities for as many as a thousand regular students and an additional 600 evening students. There is every reason to believe that we shall continue our growth and that the space will be needed by the time the new building is erected. You are invited to help us in future planning and from your good will and expressed loyalty to Edinburg College will come future growth and development.

SCHOOL SPIRIT AND TRADITIONS

School Spirit is somewhat like Mark Twain's statement about the weather, "Everyone talks about it but nobody does anything about it." Of course, people **have** done something about School Spirit—that's where Traditions come in. This short section cannot attempt to list all the traditions that have accumulated in twenty-two years but here are some of them.

Shortly after you get registered, change your courses, get your books, lose your schedule, and, finally, get into the routine of classes—the Faculty is host to the Student Body. It is all for free; the orchestra, the punch or pop, the games, **and the fun**. Be sure you come, whether you have a date or not, whether you can dance a step, even if you dislike games—just come along and meet people and mingle with the bunch. Remember, then, the first **must** event of the year, the **Fall Reception**. You will get ample notice of the exact date, so prepare to be present.

Assembly has been cussed and discussed for years, but whenever the student body has voted on its continuance, the overwhelming majority votes to continue regular Assemblies. Students who have experience realize that unless you have **one** time when the whole student body can meet together it is impossible to develop any school spirit. The Assembly period is traditionally the fourth period on Tuesdays. While this period is held open each week, Assemblies are scheduled only when there is a worthwhile program to be presented or when the whole student body is called together to hear something affecting the whole group. Whenever any student group or organization has a program that would be of general interest and wishes to present this program to the student body, it can arrange to schedule an Assembly period. Since it is desirable and necessary for everyone to be present at the Assembly programs, seats are assigned to all students early in the semester and you are required to sit in this assigned seat. You find this seat number as you learn many other things—by checking the official Bulletin Board.

Incidentally, we might as well tell you about the

Bulletin Board now. As you enter the front entrance of the Administration Building, you will observe a glass-enclosed bulletin board just past the door to the Registrar's Office. The left-hand half of the Board is reserved for **Official Office Notices**. You are responsible for checking it once a day, preferably in the morning. The other half of the Board is for official student organization notices. Watch it for dates, places, and times of important student meetings. Another student Bulletin Board is available in the Student Union.

Soon after the fall semester gets under way, the Freshmen feel they are well enough organized to hold a function of their own. So, the **Joe and Jane College Dance** is scheduled in the Gym. Everyone comes in what he thinks is **the collegiate costume** and prizes are awarded to the most collegiate ED and COED. The affair requires organization and work but every Freshman group that has held one thinks it well worth the time and effort. (The boys on the Beacon and the Annual staffs snap pictures and the results are sometimes startling, when you see yourself in print.)

During the Christmas holidays, the **Sophomore-Ex-Student Dance** is really a big affair. It is scheduled so that most of the exes in other colleges can get back to it and everyone has fun galore. You meet people you haven't seen in months and you visit as you dance.

We must talk about a fairly recent addition to Edinburg College traditions. The **Bronc Boosters** is a men's service organization to help any and all student groups in putting over important affairs. They, themselves, have in recent years carried through one of the biggest and best events of the year — Bronco Days. This is a sort of combination of Frontier Days and Mardi Gras rolled into one. There is a parade, everyone dresses in western garb, a Queen is elected, and the climax is the Homecoming Dance — after our last football game of the season. During the two or three days preceding the dance, there are Campus stunts and a special Assembly program presented by the Bronc Boosters. You should be prepared to tog yourself out in your gayest shirt, your cowboy boots, and any other fancy Western regalia during this period — it is really quite an affair.

There isn't space enough to list everything that happens each year, like the initiations in the various fraternities and the annual dinners they hold, and all the other happenings. We will just have to stop after we have told you about the outstanding social event of the spring semester, the formal **Sweetheart Dance**.

Weeks before the actual event, the planning starts. There must be a good orchestra, invitations must be sent to the sweethearts from the neighboring high schools and colleges, the elaborate decorations must be worked up, and the College Sweetheart must be selected. Every group has an opportunity to nominate a candidate; campaign speeches fill the air as campaign posters (clever ones, too) fill the available bulletin board space; and finally, the election. Final results are kept a deep secret until the SWEETHEART is introduced the night of the dance. People are worn out the next morning, particularly the committees who arrange and run the affair, but they have just as big a time as can be crowded into the hours—and, after all, one can always recuperate on Sunday.

WHO DOES WHAT, AND WHY? WHOM DO I SEE ABOUT THIS?

You are likely to ask these questions of yourself or someone else before you have been around many days. Here is a brief listing of people and places and what they can do for you or you for them.

You are likely to begin your first contacts with Edinburg College through the **Registrar's Office**. Its two dignitaries are Mr. H. H. Gauding, Registrar, and Miss Sue Waddill, Assistant Registrar. Between the two of them, they can just about tell you all about college entrance units, credit hours, transfer of courses, and how many absences you have. (Don't get too many cuts; it's fatal.) Also, they can separate you from tuition and bus fare and fees about as rapidly as you can hand it over—but they do it with a smile and the pain is lessened thereby.

When you need textbooks, go to the **Bookstore** in the Union Building. It is presided over by Miss Leff-

land who is General Registrar for the whole School District — as well as Cashier, Census Director, and other very necessary jobs. Miss Leffland is aided by Miss Carmen Gamboa who is an Edinburg College graduate and is familiar with the whole college organization.

If you are a veteran, attending college under the provisions of the GI Bill, one of the first people you will need to see is Miss Dorothy Schutz, Assistant to the Dean. She has to check your Certificate of Eligibility, give you an approval slip for your books and supplies, tell you when you have to fill out reports for the Veterans Administration, and she can even answer a great many questions about Veterans Administration policies — but she can't tell you when you will get your subsistence check nor when the Veterans Administration is going to change its regulations. Miss Schutz can answer many of your questions, too, if you are not a veteran. Sometimes she may send you on in to see Mr. Hodges, the Director and Dean of the College. If you think you have to drop or add a course, shift a section, drop out of school (Heaven forbid!), or get married, he may want to talk to you about it. He has heard a lot of good reasons (and a few pretty unoriginal ones) for doing any of these things and he may agree or disagree with yours but he will listen to them in any case.

The **Library** is presided over by Miss Geraldine Pratt, ably assisted by Mrs. Anne Floyd during a part of the day. You are welcome to use the facilities of the Library for reading or for studying but, in the interest of people who are doing assigned reading or working up term papers, **do not talk**. The Library staff members will be glad to help you locate a book or a reference but they need all their time for these purposes and cannot afford to use it in keeping people quiet. Be sure you remember to cooperate in observing this regulation for it will save everyone possible embarrassment — persons who just can't remember may have to get friends to check out books for them. It is just being fair to the other fellow to let him use the Library for the purposes for which it is designed. If you feel you must talk and must study with someone else, use the Study Room at the Union Building.

And that brings up a nice subject. The **Union Building** is the one place provided for the comfort, solace, and entertainment of the "non-working" student. It is ably presided over by Mrs. Gauding—who can play a hand of bridge, tiddleywinks, or almost anything else Mr. Hoyle put in his book. There are chairs, tables, a coke machine, games, magazines, and a snack bar where sandwiches, coffee, and cold drinks are made available at a very reasonable price. Incidentally, any profits made from the operation of the snack bar are used in maintaining and improving the Union. This is really **your** building. You can use it at any off period; it is the **one** building where you may smoke; if your group officers and sponsor wish to reserve it, it may be used for evening meetings of your student organizations. In other words, it has been provided and furnished for your pleasure and enjoyment. Naturally, it receives a lot of use and that means that it requires your help to keep it usable and attractive. Don't practice your golf game or a wrestling hold inside—move out to the athletic field. Keep it in condition so the next person the next period, or the next day, or the next month can enjoy it. **It is your responsibility to cooperate with all rules set up by the Union Committee.**

Finally, you should know that the legal governing body of your institution is the Board of Trustees. This is a group of gentlemen who are seldom around the College while you are here but who meet once a month, or oftener, to spend several hours of the night helping to make a better institution for you to attend. Their only compensation is the satisfaction one obtains in performing a civic duty ably and unselfishly. Many good things in the College are due to their labors. We hope you remember this from time to time—as well as the goodwill and aid that has been extended to your College by numerous other public spirited men and women of the whole Valley. We owe each of them a debt of gratitude.

The chief administrative officer of the Board is President R. P. Ward. Because his many other duties keep him constantly engaged, you may not have as much contact with him as you do with other members of the Staff. You should know, however, that he has been

connected with this College since its foundation. Much of the organization of the College is the product of his thinking and the result of his energy. He, as has been said of the Board, spends many hours of which you are not conscious working in your behalf. He is always ready, so far as his time permits, to help you as an individual if he can.

REGULATIONS

Nobody cares very much about regulations, rules, and laws. We usually feel as did the old lady, "Anything that I really enjoy is either illegal, immoral, or fattening." As a matter of fact, if everyone conscientiously avoided anything that would infringe on the rights or privileges of his neighbors, we would have no need for rules and laws. Since, however, we have not reached the millennium, experience has shown us that the following general regulations are necessary:

1. Obedience to **all** civil laws is expected of every citizen — and being in college does not cause you to lose your citizenship.
2. **Smoking.** It is a tradition, which has the force of a rule, that nobody smokes in any building except the Union Building. You may step outside any building (please, do not stop in the entrance) to smoke when you are not in class. Put your cigarette butts in the containers that are provided near each entrance. Do not grind them out on the floors anywhere.
3. **Adding or dropping a course or withdrawing from school.** There is a definite procedure to be followed in each of these cases. You jeopardize your credits and your good standing if you fail to follow the procedure. If you wish to drop or add a course, go first to see the Registrar. He will give you the proper form and will tell you how it is to be used. When you have complied with his directions, your instructor will have signed the form and you will have returned it to the Registrar's Office. You have not completed your work if you fail to

complete any of these steps. **Under no circumstances is it permissible to drop a course by just not attending the class.** If you do this, you accumulate a quantity of negative credits which decreases the total hours you may transfer, or you may be dropped from College. **Withdrawal** from school, for any cause, is accomplished by a similar procedure — through the Registrar's Office, the Dean's Office, and any other required division of the College. Failure to follow this procedure means the student cannot be dismissed in good standing to any other institution. A veteran may lose all remaining eligibility for further GI training. One week is the time limit in which you may make **class changes**. This change period dates from the first day that classes begin in either semester. If you drop a course later than one month from the time classes begin, your grade in the course will be recorded as F. Courses dropped before the deadline of one month, are recorded as Drop.

4. **Absences.** When you are not in class, regardless of the reason, you miss the discussion or lecture or the laboratory work. Though you may have to be absent for a valid reason, you still have missed the work and it is **your responsibility** to see that you get this work. You **may** be eligible for an **excused** absence but the procedure for having an absence excused is quite definite and any failure to follow the rules can penalize you heavily. This is what you do to get an absence excused — so that your instructor may permit you to do the required work to offset your absence:

- a. First, there are only a few conditions under which you may have an excused absence: serious illness, attested by a doctor's certificate presented within **one week** of the time of the absence or of your return to classes; death in your immediate family; absences on approved college matters (such matters must have been approved by the Dean's of-

- office); or absence due to governmental business where you have no control of the time you must be present.
- b. Second, you must get your absence excused by the Registrar's office within **one week** of the date of the absence or of your return to classes, whichever is later.
 - c. Third, you file a written statement with the Registrar's office **and obtain approval**, indicating why you were absent. Only the reasons listed under "a" above are acceptable, in general. If you think you have a special case the Registrar will be glad to listen to it, but he will exercise his own discretion about accepting it and he will definitely refuse to accept trivial or avoidable reasons.
 - d. Finally, the proper form from the Registrar's office must be given to the instructor before you will be permitted to "make up" any work. This includes themes, book reports, tests, or any other required work which may have been due on the day you were absent.

Now, since this is college and you are assumed to be a responsible person, you have some latitude and you may exercise your discretion about some absences—though your grade will be lowered by these absences. The Faculty believes that a premium should be placed on quality of work and has recently approved some changes in our previous attendance regulations. An Honor List of persons who had no grade below "B" at the last grade report is supplied to each member of the Faculty by the Registrar's office. The persons whose names appear on this Honor List are exempt from attendance regulations so long as they remain on the List. Obviously, unless you were enrolled in Edinburg College the preceding regular semester (summer attendance is not counted) you cannot appear on the Honor List until a regular grade report has been made. These grade

reports are made at the mid-semester and at the end of the semester. It should also be noted that instructors are under no obligation to permit any student to make up work that has been missed unless the absence is excused.

What about the person who is **not** on the Honor List? Such an individual may take the equivalent of **one week** of unexcused absences. Usually this is three absences unless the class meets fewer or more than three times in one week. The fourth absence places him on attendance probation and any absence after this automatically drops him from the rolls of the class with a grade of "F" — with the usual drop fee charged against him. Remember that these unexcused absences are time missed from a class and remember that instructors will not permit the work that has been missed to be made up.

Let us summarize these attendance regulations so that you may be certain you understand them.

- a. People on the Honor List are not limited to any number of unexcused absences but they may suffer grade penalties.
- b. Those not on the Honor List may have the equivalent of **one week** of unexcused absences before being placed on attendance probation.
- c. After one week (one, two, or three absences, depending on the number of times the class meets) of absences, the next unexcused absence will cause the individual to be dropped from the class roll with a grade of F.
- d. No instructor is obliged to permit work that has been missed to be made up unless the absence is an **excused absence**.
- e. The acceptable reasons for excused absences are very definite and are strictly followed.

It should be added that a tardiness counts one-third of an absence. Veterans attending college under the provisions of the G I Bills are governed by any attendance regulations set up

by the Veterans Administration, in addition to those listed above.

5. **Eligibility.** If you want to represent the College in **any type** of event or be an officer in any student organization, except purely social affairs, you must meet the eligibility requirements. You must be enrolled in at least four regular courses or a minimum of 12 semester hours and must be passing 9 semester hours. If you were in college before, you must have met the same requirements in your last semester of work. If you participate in any intercollegiate events, you must meet the eligibility requirements of the Conference, in addition to those of Edinburg College. To be eligible for **any award of any type** you must be scholastically eligible at the time the award is made.
6. **Social events** that are held in the name of the College or that are connected in any way with the College must have been approved by the Director at least **three days** prior to the date of the event. This approval is obtained by the officers of the organization completing the proper request form (which is available in the Registrar's Office), having the form signed by the proper officers, sponsors, and chaperones, and having it finally approved by the Director. All such events are scheduled on the social calendar and no deviation is made from this rule.
7. **Funds.** If you are an officer of a student organization you should know that all funds collected by the organization are to be deposited with the Registrar. A receipt is given at the time the deposit is made and the funds may be checked out when needed by using a properly signed requisition form which is also available in the Registrar's Office. At the end of the semester or school year, as the case may be, a complete financial report should be made to the Registrar. This will be used when the annual College audit is made and will be valuable

to the next group of officers of the organization.

A complete financial report is due the Registrar's Office immediately after any student affair, such as a dance or play, where tickets are sold. The Registrar must make a monthly report and remit taxes to the Collector of Internal Revenue. Be certain, then, that your organization makes an accurate report as soon as possible, preferably the next day after the event.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

You will miss a large part of your share of the fun of going to college if you do not become an active member of at least one student organization. Below we have listed many of the clubs and groups that function at Edinburg College. Investigate any of them in which you may be interested; they are always ready to welcome an enthusiastic new member. They can help you and you can help them.

Among the desirable organizations with which you may wish to affiliate are the honorary fraternities. These groups are open to you if you can meet the requirements. One of the oldest organizations is the Beta Theta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa. This is an honorary scholastic fraternity. To be eligible for entrance one must: (1) be in the upper ten per cent of the student body, scholastically, (2) have no grade below B, (3) be enrolled in a minimum of 15 semester hours of courses, (4) be sufficiently worthy as a citizen to be invited to join by the chapter membership.

Another honorary group is Delta Psi Omega which limits its members to those people who have met specific requirements in the field of dramatics and play production.

In the field of journalism, the student who distinguishes himself by service on the College annual, EL BRONCO, or the student newspaper, THE BEACON, may become a member of the Gamma Delta Upsilon fraternity.

There is another group of student activities which may appeal to you because of your vocational interests.

The Science Club, the Photography Club, Home Economics Club, Future Teachers, the Engineers, and other similar groups are interested in studying material that pertains to these fields of work. Usually these groups hear talks by individuals prominent in their particular professions; they take field trips to study plants or operations of interest to them; they have student discussion programs; or they actively engage in an appropriate project.

Along with the fields of vocational interest are the student groups which foster avocational interests, such as the Glee Club, the Campus Players, and the Journalism Club. The Glee Club, for example, presents Assembly programs for the College and for neighboring high schools; the Campus Players have a long tradition of successful plays and contests; and the Journalism Club puts out our student publications — which have reflected credit on the College time after time.

Finally, and the picture is still quite incomplete, we have service groups like the Host and Hostess Club, who fulfill the obligations imposed by their title in our musical programs and auditorium numbers; the Bronc Boosters and the Bronkettes, whose work has been mentioned earlier, and the Student Senate. The Senate is worthy of additional discussion. It is composed of two members, usually the president and the secretary, from each of the other student organizations. The Senate has a constitution which sets forth its objectives and mode of procedure. Since its membership is drawn from the officers of other student groups, it furnishes an ideal place for discussion of problems that affect the whole College student body. It functions as a clearing house in the scheduling of student activities that might otherwise conflict and is an effective starting point for new ideas that might be helpful to the College.

It should be said that all these various groups and organizations mix fun with their more serious purposes. All of them tend to overlap into each of the main groups we have mentioned. That is, they are frequently both vocational and avocational, both service-centered and interested in individual improvement. All function with the help of faculty sponsors, who are merely advisors, and through duly elected officers. If you become a

member of any of these groups (as you certainly should) remember to select good officers and then help them put over the program your group decides upon.

ATHLETICS

College just wouldn't quite be what we Americans think of as "College" if it did not have athletic teams. Edinburg College has its full quota, after some years of enforced abstention during the war, and you will have reason to be "proud of being a follower of the Broncs."

To begin with, when you pay your activity fee you become eligible for a season ticket to all home contests. That makes it easy to follow your natural inclination to go to all the games. Since you don't have to dig up a dollar each time, you can relax — and look for a date who has a season ticket also.

In any event, remember this is one of the first places for you to begin the development of College spirit. You should consider it a definite obligation to attend all the home games — maybe some of those away from home also — and to join in with the cheer leaders in making your presence known. If you give the proper support to the team, its members and the coaches will be appreciative and will give you an organization which will reflect credit on the College.

Football this year presents an attractive schedule that begins with a game on September 24 with the Technical Institute of Monterrey and ends Thanksgiving Day with our traditional rivals from Brownsville. Here are the games and dates:

September 24—Monterrey Technical Institute—There
September 30—Corpus Christi Naval Base—Here
October 8—Southwest Texas Junior College, Uvalde
—There
October 15—Victoria Junior College—Here
October 22—Colegio Militar of Mexico—Here
October 28—Del Mar College, Corpus Christi—There
November 5—Laredo Junior College—Here
November 12—Wharton Junior College—There
November 24—Brownsville Junior College—Here

After football, Coach Youngman, who has made an enviable record with his basketball teams in the past,

will start his group of varsity aspirants on their training schedule for the basketball season which begins in January. We play all other Conference teams and your help will be needed if we are to win against some of the stiff competition we shall meet. Keep an eye open for the posting of the schedule and turn out for all those home games.

After basketball comes track, tennis, golf, and, to close the year, baseball. If you can play, turn out for the teams. If you can't play, boost. That is the way school spirit is made.

Men who go out for intercollegiate athletics — women are eligible, too, in tennis and golf — are awarded letters on the basis of the total amount of time played in conference games or matches. In football and basketball one must play a certain number of quarters, depending upon the number of games in the schedule; in baseball innings are counted; in track, tennis, boxing, or golf, letter awards are figured on the basis of the number of matches engaged in during the season and on placing in the district or State meets.

Awards to first-year men consist of a standard sweater with an "E". Men who make a letter for the second year in a sport are eligible for a jacket. If they letter for the second year in another sport, they receive a special gold key as an award.

ODDS AND ENDS

If you have journalistic ambitions, try out for the staff of THE BEACON, which is published every two weeks, or for EL BRONCO, the College annual. Persons signing up early in the fall can get a copy of EL BRONCO at a reduced price. Be certain that you have your annual picture taken when notices are posted.

When you go into any College office, give your name to the person with whom you talk. Most of the Faculty members will soon learn your name if you are frequently in contact with them, but when an office has to deal with hundreds of individuals, it is difficult to keep names straight all the time.

College premises are your home for most of the day. The jantiors and the grounds' men do the best they can

to keep things in order. It is obvious, however, that you can do more to preserve the appearance of the buildings and grounds than can these caretakers. A little thoughtfulness will keep you proud of the physical plant of your College.

It should hardly be necessary to tell you that you are expected to do individual work in any college. If you borrow material for a paper or a theme, be certain to give credit for this material. Any work you hand in to your instructor must be your own work unless otherwise labeled. In an examination you must not use any aid except that specifically authorized by the instructor. Failure to observe these fundamental rules of honesty will, at the least, cause you to receive a zero grade on the dishonest work. It may, when the offense seems grave enough, cause your dishonorable dismissal from the College.

One of the experiences that you will not want to miss, as many sophomores can tell you, is attendance at the concerts and lectures sponsored by Cultural Arts, Inc. Cultural Arts is a non-profit organization of residents of the Upper Valley area that brings to all of us in this section of the State the finest artists of our time.

The list of those who have appeared during the past few years read like Who's Who. Among the musicians are Tibbett, Lily Pons, James Melton, Jose Iturbi, Menuhin, Richard Crooks, and numerous others. The lecturers include such names as Mrs. Roosevelt, Will Durant, Carl Hambro, and others equally gifted and famous. You will certainly want to take advantage of the opportunity of purchasing a season ticket for \$3. This ticket price is made possible only because the College is willing to pay the other half of the cost. Get the ticket when you pay your other fees. It is not transferable, for obvious reasons, but is certainly a terrific bargain. Where else can you hear such persons as Margaret Truman, Lauritz Melchior, and the other artists and lecturers — John Mason Brown and Dr. Kirtley Mather who will appear on the program this season, for such a low price? In any of the larger cities your ticket to a single concert would cost as much as this season ticket —which admits you to five program numbers.

